

Appl. No. 10/633,738
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REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending in the present invention.

Claims 28, 31 and 32 have been amended. The support for the amendments is found in the claims as filed.

It is believed these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter. Consequently, entry of these changes is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

OBJECTIONS

Claim 32 is objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being improper from because a multiple dependent claim should refer to other claims in the alternative only. The above amendments obviate this objection removing the multiple dependency in the claim. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection.

Claims 28-30 are objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claim. Claim 28 is an independent claim and not dependent on a rejected base claim. Claim 28 has been amended to more clearly define the subject matter claimed in Claim 28. Since Claim 28 is not dependent on a rejected base claim and further since Applicant's have amended Claim 28 to more clearly define the subject matter claimed in Claim 28 the objection has been obviated. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-27 and 31 have been provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1-21 and 24-44 of the commonly assigned, concurrently filed, U.S. Application 10/633,965. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

It is submitted that this double patenting rejection is also premature at this stage since no claims have been indicated as allowable in the present case. If the Examiner persists in maintaining the double patenting rejection, once allowable subject matter has been identified, an appropriate terminal disclaimer will be submitted.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the remarks and amendments presented herein, Applicants respectfully submit Claims 1-32 are allowable over the objections. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. In the event that issues remain prior to allowance of the noted claims, then the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's undersigned attorney for further discussion.

Respectfully Submitted,

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